

Hana C. E.



Dana

Y. P. S. C. C.

Secretary's

Book

In July of 1892 a Society of b. e. was formed by a few persons who were interested in the work of the Society at large and in having meetings of the Society at Dana. At that time Josiah Willis was pastor of the church. The week-day and Sunday evening services were not very well attended and it was hoped that a b. e. society being something new would quicken an interest in religious meetings. Mr. Willis joined the society and attended the meetings which were held a half hour before his meetings, but he was hardly hearty in his cooperation and when several of the members left town it was neither desirable nor possible for those remaining

to attempt to continue the Society, considerable interest, however, was felt and when it was proposed in the early part of 1898 to reorganize the Society, it was shown that good seed had been sown in '92.

There was \$1.50 left in the treasury in '93 and that was given by the treasurer, Miss Huntton to Miss F. V. Doane and was used by her in '98 to help in opening the new Society.

The first appointment in '98 was of C. C. Sunday, Feb. 6, but a storm postponed the gathering so that the first meeting was held Feb. 13. Mr. Alfred Evers led the meeting and much interest was shown.

Feb. 20 was again a severe storm and no meeting was held either morning or evening in the church,

Feb. 27 Mr. James Gordon led the meeting and Mar. 6. Miss Effie Brewer.

Mar. 13. Miss F. V. Doane led and after the meeting the society was formally organized by the election of officers and the appointment of Committees. The members having signed the constitution and pledges in the preceding weeks.

This evening, Mar. 13 there were twenty-five persons at the meeting.

The names of members and officers will be found on following pages.

By Frances V. Doane. Sec.

Active Members in 1892.

Frances V. Loane,
Rev. Josiah S. Willis
Eugenie Bedell Bristol,
Minnie Edith Huntton,
Will H. Gibson
A. H. Jenkins.

Emma Hicks and Walter Hicks never signed the constitution but they signed the pledge and were members of the society. Why their names were not recorded by the secretary of '92 does not appear. There were several people who expressed their willingness and wish to be associate members but no names are recorded.

1898.

Active Members.

A. J. Eyers, Withdrawn - out of Town.

J. L. Gordon, Died July 16, 1898.

Frances V. Doane

Abbie A. Lincoln

(Eugenie B. Bristol excused for the present)

Beatrice Saunders, { Absent from July 1st 1898. } withdraw

Ethal Thompson, { " " " " }

Mrs. Biebee, removed to No. Dana.

Anna L. Morgan.

Rev. Chas. E. Houghton, removed in 1900.

Mrs. Harriet L. Houghton, " " "

Carrie M. Houghton, " " "

Mary A. Houghton, " " "

Daisy W. Houghton, " " "

1898,

Associate Members,

Henry G. Youker, } Enlisted,
Emory J. Smith } Kichewang,

Nathan E. Stone Removed

Alice Stevens, "

Laura Stone

Geo. W. Durkee

Nellie L. Durkee,

Eva Stevens

Bessie M. Stone,

Mabel F. Doane

Chas. H. Baker, Absent-withdrawn

Lucie Grover,

Emma Grover,

Elias Bristol. Withdrawn

July 1898

Henry G. Youker is a member of the 7th U. S.

Infantry. Is now at Santiago de Cuba.

- 1898 -

Officers Chosen Mar. 13.

President. A. J. Eyers.

Vice Pres. Abbie A. Lincoln.

Treas. James L. Gordon.

Sec. F. V. Hoane.

Committees,

Lookout Com.

A. J. Eyers,
J. L. Gordon,
Abbie Lincoln.

Prayer Meeting,

F. V. Doane,

Eva Stevens,

Eugenie B. Bristol,

Sabbath School,

A. J. Eyer,

Emma Grover,

Alice Stevens,

Flower,

Alice Stevens

Sucie Grover

Bessie Stone,

Social.

Mr. + Mrs. Durkee,

Mabel Doane,

Chas. Baker,

Music

N. E. Stone

Mrs. Morgan

Mrs. L. Stone

Mar. 19. Your secretary sent notices of officers and laws to every member of the Society.

Mar. 20. The prayer meeting committee appointed leaders as follows:—

Mar. 20. Miss Alice Stevens,

" 27. Consecration Service and roll call. A. J. Eyer.

Apr. 3. Miss Emma Grover,

Apr. 10. Easter, Sabbath School concert. In charge of S. S. Music and Flower committees.

Apr. 17. Miss Abbie Lincoln,

March 20. Miss Alice Stevens led the meeting very acceptably. The subject was The Evils of Intemperance. Three persons spoke on the subject besides the leader. About ten read or repeated appropriate texts of scripture. The singing was unusually good. There were thirty persons present. Of these four were active members and nine were associate members of the society. The meeting opened at 7.15 and continued till 8.30.

It was voted to take up a collection every month, at the consecration meeting

~~April 3.~~ March 27.

Your secretary was absent from the meeting of March 27. An attendance of thirty-four is reported with an unusual number of responses. Mr. Gordon called the roll and reported all but two present; they sent responses. A collection of \$1.12 was taken, to this was afterward added.

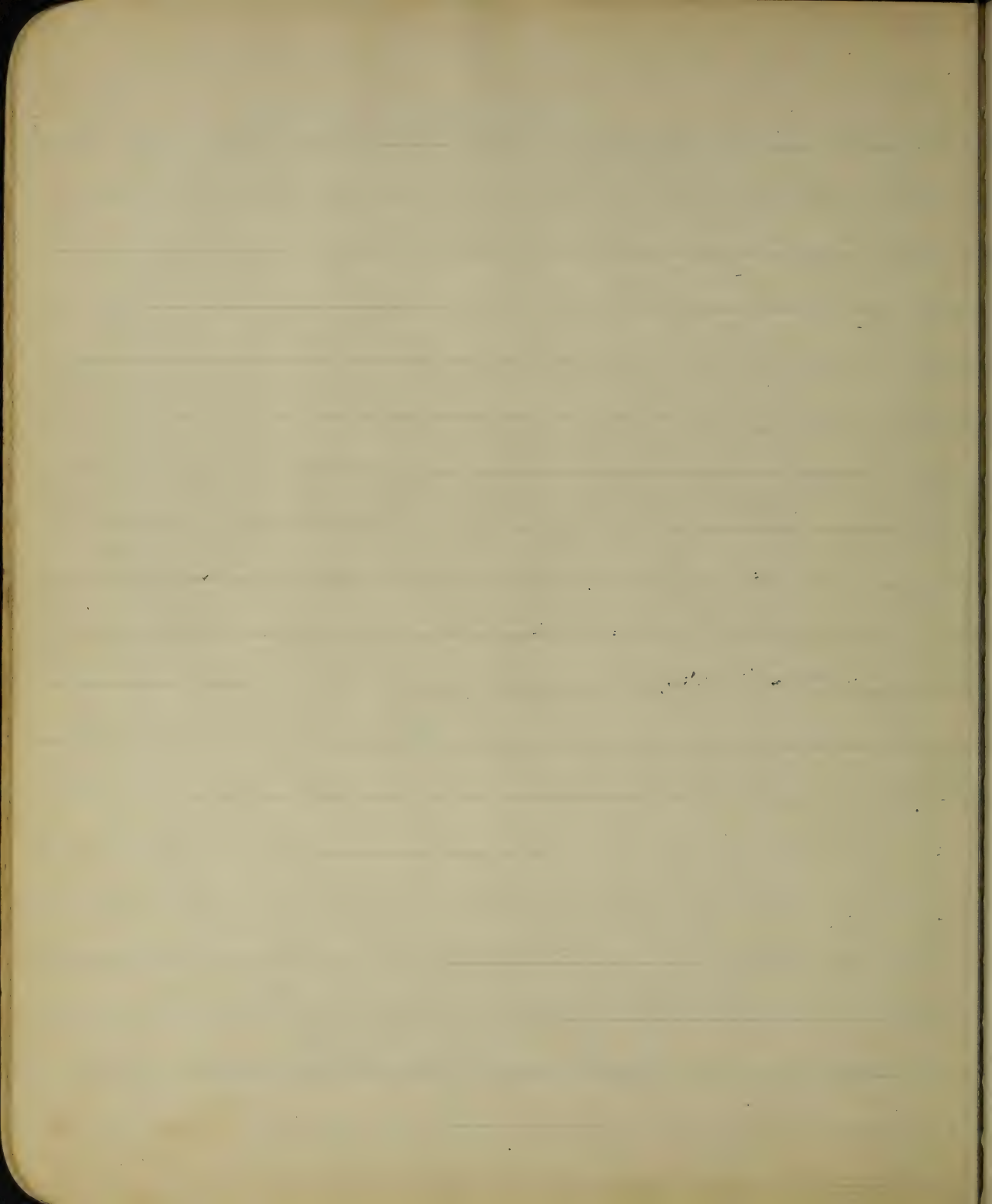
This consecration service was the most interesting meeting yet held.

April

April 3.

There were twenty-nine or thirty present. Of these four were active members and eight were associate members. About thirteen took part in the meeting by prayer remarks or scripture selection. Miss Grover conducted the meeting in a dignified and earnest manner ~~see~~ and very acceptably to all present. The meeting began at 7.30 P. M. and closed at about 8.30 P. M.

April 10. Easter Concert. 75 people present.
Programme as follows.



April 17.

There were 37 present at this meeting. It was very interesting consisting of readings by different members of the Society and others, illustrative of the lives of great missionaries.

Apr. 24. This was an ~~usual~~ a stormy Sunday, and only seventeen were present. Consecration Service collection.

Mr. Youker of Michewauing one of our associate members notified your ~~past~~ secretary that he has enlisted and expects to be gone for three years.

May 1. This meeting was unusually interesting Mrs. Bixbee and Mr. Whiting from Nicheawang were present and made remarks. There were thirty-nine present.

Miss Beatrice Saunders led the meeting very acceptably.

May 8. N. S. Johnson Esquire, led this meeting and gave an interesting address. This address was a ^{brief} sketch of the foundation and growth of the Christian religion leading up to an explanation of the formation of the Congregational Church. There was following Mr. Johnson's remarks reading by members of the meeting descriptive of the work of the seven different societies which

and other church work

carry on the missionary of the Congregational
al Church, There were twenty-seven
present,

May 15. This was quite a stormy
Sunday, but the meeting
was held as usual Miss Mabel
Doane leading the meeting, There
were ~~not~~ hardly twenty present,

May 22. This meeting was led
by the President, Mr. Evers.
As the Memorial Concert
was to be held May 29. this
evening was set apart as a
Consecration Service, all of the
active members residing in
town were present and took
part in the meeting, and all of

Associate members except ~~two~~ one
were present, all present responding
to name call or speaking. The
singing was good and the meeting
of unusual interest. After the
meeting a second meeting of
the active members was held and
Rev. Mr. Boughton and family were
admitted to active membership.
There were 40 present. ~~Subscription~~
Collection . . .

May 29. Sabbath School Concert
led by Mr. Eyew. This was a
memorial concert. For Programme
see another book.

Mr. Hicks Supt. S.S. was not present
so Mr. Eyew officiated. There was a
full house.

June 5. This meeting was led by Rev. Mr. Houghton, your Secretary was unable to be present.

June 12. Subject Christian Courage, Meeting was led by Miss Ethel Thompson. There were about thirty present, and a good response from both active and associate members.

June 19. This meeting was to be led by Mrs. E. Morgan but as she was ill Mr. James Gordon had charge of the meeting. Although it was stormy and there were not so many present as usual the meeting was of unusual interest owing to the earnest leadership. The subject was

True Friendship.

June 26. A Children's Day exercise was given this evening. The children of the Grammar School sang, and most of the recitations were given by the Primary School children, there being a few exceptions. The children all did well. The exercise was one of David Cook's.

To the mind of your secretary, although these exercises give opportunity for scenic effects in the way of banners &c, they require more actors than our limited number of children supply. This requires that several children shall have two or more parts each. and while there are

children who are ready to take so many parts, it is really burdensome in a way. The music in these books are good if used as intended, as there are selections adapted to the young and also to the older children and to the adults. But when the young people sing the songs written and ~~intended~~ intended for little ones the effect is hardly satisfactory.

So far as the recitation is concerned, the thought and lesson is always good and while there would be variety were these parts assigned as intended as we have to assign them on account of our few numbers, they remain

rather monotonous as they have absolutely no literary value whatever. It seems to your Secretary that a more interesting certainly a more profitable concert results when children select (i.e. their parents or friends select) the pieces. There may be one or two exercises to take in

those children who are too confident to appear on the platform alone, but it ~~is~~ hardly repays the effort to attempt to carry out fully as in this concert the entire programme of a prepared exercise. This is said not as a criticism of this exercise but as a suggestion for further concerts. In this case those children who

consented to take part were ready for rehearsals and enjoyed their parts, several young children coming long distances hot afternoons to rehearse. There was a large audience, probably 70 or more.

July 3. Miss Carrie Houghton led this meeting with great acceptance. Misses Mary and Daisy Houghton, Mr. Knight and Mr. H. Houghton all had good words to say, making a meeting of great interest. There were 27 present. Mr. Gordon was ill. This was the second Sunday he was absent on account of illness.

July 10. Mr. H. Boughton had charge of this meeting. Mrs. Woodbury, agent for the American Congregational Association occupied the pulpit for Mr. Page in the afternoon and spoke on The Indian Problem at the C. E. Society. There were 30 present.

July 14. Owing to the death of James L. Gordon which took place Saturday afternoon at a little after 5 o'clock. Memorial services were held by this Society. The regular subject was not used but the subject of July 10 as more appropriate was considered. Prof. J. F. Johnson read the scripture lesson for July 10.

Hag. 2:1-9. Mark 12:29-31.

His remarks set forth the idea of the consecration of Ability to the chosen work of life and the importance of a chosen purpose to which to consecrate Ability. He spoke briefly of Mr. Gordon as consecrated to his work.

He was followed by Mr. H. Houghton extending the thought to the idea of Christian consecration. Rev. Mr. Houghton spoke touchingly and sympathetically to the friends of Mr. Gordon and appealed to the young people and especially to the young men taking as his text David's words.

Mr. N. L. Johnson spoke rather briefly but with much feeling of his friendship and attachment and that of his family for Mr. Gordon, and presented resolutions in memory of the lost brother.

Mrs. F. V. Doane recalled some of Mr. Gordon's personal traits and the words he has spoken and the principles which governed him holding up his consecrated life as a model for Christian Endeavorers since it was modeled after the Christ life.

She also referred to the hope of eternal life and the mystery of the beyond. She presented resolutions. Both sets were adopted and are herewith

transcribed. Collection was taken for flowers by the Flower Com

Resolutions presented to
the Family of
James L. Gordon
by the Y. P. S. C. E.
Dana, July 17, 1898.

Whereas, God in His mysterious
Providence has pleased to
remove from among us
to his heavenly home, our
brother and an officer
of our society, James L.
Gordon, therefore be it

Resolved,

That while as Christian
Endeavorers it is right and
becoming to bring our minds
and hearts into submission
to the will of God we yet
feel that in the loss of

Sustains an irreparable affliction
James L. Gordon this Society, ^{and} loses
a faithful and efficient officer
whose only interest as such
was to further the interests of the
Society to the upbuilding of the
Cause of Christ. To his influence
and work in large measure
is due the fact that we are a
Society.

Resolved—

That not alone as an officer
but more as a brother in Christ
and a co-laborer in Christian
work we mourn his loss.
We recall with exceeding
sorrowful hearts yet with
true grateful remembrance
his firm steady character,
his earnest Christian life,

his entire consecration to the
Master, his often repeated
expressions of loyalty, of Chris-
tian Endeavor principles
and to the church of his
belief and his love to God,

Resolved—

That the sincere sympathy
of this society be extended
to his bereaved relatives, at
home and here, and to the
friends ~~with~~ among whom
he has made his home
while travelling with us.

Resolved,

That these resolutions
be put upon the records of
the society and a copy be

presented to his father and
sister and a copy to Mr.
+ Mrs. N. L. Johnson.

Sub. How to have a happy Home.
July 24. Mrs. Chas E. Houghton
led this meeting contrasting
different homes & bringing out
the idea that love make the Home.
Her remarks were received
with much attention.

There were thirty-eight present,
A collection of 45¢ was received for
Mrs. Woodbury.

July 31. Rev. Chas. Houghton led
the meeting. The secretary read
the following report:—

Your secretary wishes to call attention to the hour appointed for the meeting, 7.30.0. clock, The meetings seldom begin however before 7.45, not because the leader is not ready to begin but because the audience has not assembled, There are two bells, one ^{was} at 7.30.0. and the other at 7.45.

When the last bell stops the meeting should begin instead of that the people on the common seem to start for meeting. A word to the wise is sufficient, we call your attention to this believing you will make an effort and an effective one to be here on time, Our meetings are held about an hour and

ten to fifteen minutes and when meetings begin at 7.45 it is nine o'clock before we leave the church. Those who live at a distance find this rather late.

Another subject that should be noticed is that the associate members and other not members of the society who formerly repeated passages of scripture or read ^{other} selections have been silent for several Sundays past. Although there may be more to take grateful part in the meetings ^{for which we are grateful} yet there is time for all, and a great part of the interest of C. E. meetings is that many voices are heard.

Aug 7. Rev. Chas. E. Boughton
kindly led the meeting for us
a second time. The subject was
Lessons from the life of Elijah.
About 42 present.

Aug. 14. Subject of the meeting
Exalt Christ. Led by Miss F. V. Doane.
Regular services preceded by a
Bible reading. About 36 present.

Aug. 21. Subject Practical Uses of
the Bible. Led by Miss Mary Boughton.
This was a very interesting meeting
of Bible promises. A Responsive
reading services added to the
interest of the meeting. There were
about 35 present.

\$1.00 has been sent to Mrs. Lida V. Woodburn
of the Am. M. Assn. for work among the Indians
collector. of July 24.

The contribution for July 31 was 85¢.

Mrs. Shattuck, Velli Shattuck and Dorothy (Mrs.) Shattuck admitted as Associate Members

Aug. 28. Mr. Bervey Houghton kindly led the meeting. Miss Doane gave a report of the Ware Valley Union at Greenwich July 7. Collection.

Aug 29. A meeting of the active members of the Society was held this evening at J. J. Shattuck's. Miss Lincoln in the chair. Rev. Mr. Houghton offered prayer. The following officers were chosen

Pres. F. V. Doane.

Vice. Pres. Rev. C. E. Houghton.

Rec. Sec. Miss Carrie Houghton

Treas. Miss Abbie Lincoln.

Cor. Sec. F. V. Doane,

Prayer Meeting Song,

Officers of the Society, as follows,

Rev. C. E. Broughton,
Carrie Broughton
Abbie Lincoln.

F. V. Doane,
also Eva Stevens,

Sookout Song.

Mrs. C. E. Broughton,
Ethel Thompson
A. L. Lincoln.

Sept. 17th. A business meeting of the Society was held at Mrs. Frank Grover's. The President in the Chair.

Meeting opened by the President offering prayer!

The following committees were chosen, viz:—

Social and Entertainment Committee

No. 1. Miss Emma Grover.

" Lucie Grover.

Mr. George Durkee.

Mrs. George Durkee.

No. 2. Miss Ethel Thompson.

" Mabel Doane.

" Alice Stevens.

Mr. Nathan Stone.

Meeting was dissolved.

The two following committees were afterwards appointed by the President.

Music Committee for
Sunday Services. -

Mrs. E. Bristol.

Mr. E. Bristol.

Mrs. L. Stone.

Flower Committee. -

Miss Bessie Stone.

" Alice Stevens.

" Eva Stevens.

" Lucie Grover.

Carrie M. Houghton,
rec. Secretary

Members of Society Sept, 1898.

Active

Rev. C. E. Boughton.

Mrs. L. E. Boughton

Carrie Boughton

Mary Boughton

Daisy Boughton

Abbie Lincoln

F. V. Doane.

Ethel Thompson, absent.

Anna E. Morgan.

Dec. 20th. '98.

Mrs. N. L. Johnson.

" G. D. Stevens .

July 19 - 1899.

Miss Pauline Johnson. absent

Associate Members,

Henry G. Youker, Com. B. 7 U.S. Infantry
absent

Emory Smith, Chickawaug
absent

Nathan Stone,

Alice Stevens

Geo. W. Durkee,

Nellie S. Durkee,

Eva Stevens.

Bessie Stone

Mabel F. Doane

Laura Stone

Lucie Grover.

Emma Grover,

Elias Bristol. absent

Mrs. J. J. Shattuck,

~~Nellie Shattuck, absent~~

~~Dorothy Bristol,~~

July 15th '99. Mrs. Albert Doane.

Active Members.

Nov. '99. Fred L. Gifford. absent

Associate Members.

Aug. '99. Mrs. Emma J. Upton.

Nov. " Eugene Gifford. absent

Edward G. absent

Dec. 20th. 1898. A Special Business Meeting of the Society was held at the home of Mrs. F. D. Stevens, the Vice-President in the Chair. Meeting opened by prayer.

The Constitution was presented for signing to those present who had not already done so.

The following articles were voted upon - viz: -

1. That Mrs. R. L. Johnson, and Mrs. F. D. Stevens, be accepted as Active Members.
2. That 3 doz. "Daily Readings" for the year of 1899, be procured for the use of the Society.
3. That 3 doz. "Model Constitutions" be

procured.

4. That 1 doz. each, of "B. E." Pledge Cards, for Associate Memberships, and Active Memberships, be obtained.
5. That the Secretary be authorized by the Society to draw upon the Treasurer for the necessary funds to pay for these supplies.
6. That the Meeting be dissolved.

Carrie M. Houghton, Rec. Sec.

July 15th. '99. The President called a special meeting of Active members to consider the name of Mrs. Albert Doane, which had been presented for Associate membership. By an unanimous vote she was accepted.

July 15. The Ware Valley Union met with the Cong. Christian Endeavor Society of Barre. Twelve of Dana Society were present, making $57\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the eligible members. This society stood second in the contest for the Banner.

Because of the kindness of Mr. A. W. Doane in furnishing horse and carriage, some were able to attend the Convention who otherwise would have been obliged to remain at home. An unani-

uous vote of thanks was returned to Mr. Doane from the Society for the favor received.

July 19th. In response to a call from the President, a business meeting was held at the Cong. Church.

President in the Chair.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Miss Houghton.

The following articles were considered, viz:—

1. That Miss Pauline Johnson be accepted as an Active Member of this Society.
2. That Mrs. Alpton, who had taken a membership-card for consideration, should be received as a

member, if the card be returned signed, without calling a special meeting to act again upon her name.

3. That work be begun among the children, in the form of Childrens Meetings, directed by Miss Frances Doane, & under the auspices of the C. C. Society.

4. The question of Monthly Concerts was briefly considered, but laid upon the table.

5. A mid-week Prayer-meeting Secretary to appoint time and leader.

6. That two dollars (\$2.00) of the money in the Treasury be subscribed towards the Minister's

Salary.

7. That in answer to a letter received from the G. P. S. C. C. State Union, one dollar (\$1.00) of the money in Treasury be forwarded to said Union.

8. The advisability of Society Budget was considered; Miss G. V. Doane being authorized to obtain necessary information concerning them.

9. Meeting adjourned by vote of Society.

Carrie M. Houghton,
Recording Secretary.

Aug. 2nd. 1899.

A meeting of the Society was held in the Gown-Hall.

President in the Chair.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Houghton.

Report of the Secretary was read and accepted.

A partial report was presented by the Treasurer - a complete report to be given later.

The following articles were considered, viz :-

1st. The Ware Valley Union requested a contribution from this Society of one dollar (\$1.00) more, or less, to be used towards the expenses of the Barre Convention.

One dollar (\$1.00) was voted for that purpose.

2nd. A communication from Mr.

Moody, requested one dollar (\$1.00) towards his library work for the poor people in the out-districts of Pondicherry. The request was favorably considered, but the Question was laid upon the Table until further information on the subject could be obtained.

3d. The offer of Mr. Hamilton to invite friends here, to give a concert, the proceeds to be used towards repairing the Church vestry, was discussed, and the following committee chosen.

Advertising Comm. -

Prof. Johnson; Mr. Hamilton;
Miss Lucie Grover.

Committee of Refreshments -
Mrs. Laura Stone, Chairman.

Soliciting Comm.
Miss Eva Stevens.

Decorating Comm.
Miss Pauline Johnson - Chairman.

Meeting adjourned.

Barrie M. Houghton, Rec. Sec.

Aug. 15th. In response to a call from the President, the Endeavor Society met in the Town Hall.

President in the Chair.

Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. C. E. Houghton.

This meeting was called for the election of Officers.

As the number of Active Members is small, it was voted that the old Board of Officers should serve another term.

Also:— That the President appoint the Chairmen of the other committees.

The following reports were presented to, and accepted by, the Society.

viz:— Secretary's report;

Treasurer's report; — over —

Bayer-meeting Committee's report.

The subject of Badger was further considered; the President promising to send for samples that an intelligent choice might be made.

A vote was passed, that Mr. Morval's request of one dollar (\$1.00) for his Library work among the poor Christians of India, be granted.

It was voted that the Convention of the Ware Valley C. E. Union, to be held with the Dana Cong. C. E. Society, be held the first Saturday in October.

Chairman of the following committees were appointed:—

Entertainment Comm. Miss F. V. Doane.

Refreshment Comm. - Mrs. F. D. Stevens.

Meeting was dissolved.

Carrie M. Houghton, Rec. Sec.

Synopsis of Prayer-meeting report from
Sept. 4th. 1898, to September, 1899.

Number of Meetings in		Avg. Attendance
Sept.	3.	19.
Oct.	5.	23.
Nov.	3.	20.
Dec.	3.	28.
Jan.	5.	16.
Feb.	3.	14.
Mar.	3.	13.
Apr.	4.	24.
May.	4.	25.
June.	4.	39.
July.	5.	31.
Avg.	4.	43.

No. of services for the year, 46.
Avg. Attendance: " " 36.

C. M. Houghton.
Rec. Sec.

The following is a list of the Officers
and Committees chosen :-

President Frances V. Hoane.
Vice-President Rev. C. E. Houghton,
Rec. Secretary Carrie M. Houghton,
Cor. " Frances V. Hoane.
Treasurer Abbie Lincoln.

Ex. Com.

Pastor, Officers of Y. P. S. C. E., +
Chairmen of Committees who are
Active Members.

Supt. of Juniors.
Miss Frances V. Hoane.

Prayer-meeting Com.
Mrs. M. L. Johnson,
Miss Alice Stevens.

Lookout Com. - Active Members.

Sabbath School Com.

Rev. C. E. Houghton.

Mrs. C. E. Houghton.

Miss Carrie Houghton.

Temperance Com.

Active Members.

Missionary Com. - Active Members.

Music Com.

Mrs. Anna Morgan.

Mrs. Laura Stone,

Mr. Fred Gifford.

Flower Com.

Miss Eva Stevens, Miss Mabel Hoane,

Mrs. Emma Upton. - over -

Junior Flower Com.

Anna Sampson, Hazel Cooley,
Hattie Bell Hoane.

Refreshment Com.

Mrs. F. B. Stevens, Mrs. A. E. Hoane.

Social & Entertainment Com.

President of Society,

Miss Bessie Stone, Miss Mabel Hoane,
Miss Eva Stevens, Mr. Emory Smith,
Mr. George Durkee, Mrs. George Durkee,
Miss Alice Stevens, Mr. Fred Gifford,
Miss Emma Grover, Miss Lucie Grover.

C. M. Houghton, Rec. Sec.

Oct. 2nd. A meeting called by the President was held at the Church. This meeting was in reference to the Christian Endeavor Convention to be held in Dana the 7th. of Oct. Recording Secretary not being present, the Minutes of the meeting were not preserved.

Carrie M. Houghton,
Rec. Secretary.

Nov. 14th. A Business Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. N. L. Johnson.

President in Chair.

Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. C. E. Houghton.

Report of Treasurer was read and accepted. - over -

A request from Geo. E. Copeland, District Secretary, asking for 50 cts from this Society for postage to be used in State Union Work, was granted.

\$5.00 of money in the Treasury was voted for Church repairs - making \$20.80 given by this So.,

A request from Emma C. Mason for help among Lumbermen & Miners, was laid upon the Table for further consideration.

The Society was much pleased by receiving words of commendation, from Mr. Willard, President of the Ware Valley Union, concerning the Convention held

with this Society, the 7th. of Oct.

Arrangements were made for obtaining the signatures of the members of this Society, to a paper of protest, against the Seating of Brigham Roberts, as a Member of Congress.

Also; - For obtaining the signatures of the members of this Society, together with those of their friends to a paper petitioning Congress for National Arbitration.

The following Candidates were received by vote; - Fred Gifford, for Active Membership, Eugene Gifford, + Edward Ely, Associate Membership. - over.

Meeting was adjourned.

Carrie M. Houghton, Rec. Sec.

Jan. 1st. 1900. A Business Meeting was called by the Vice-President. It was held at the home of Mrs. G. D. Stevens.

Vice-President in Chair.

Meeting opened with prayer by Vice-President.

The following votes were passed:-

1st. Go obtain 3 doz. Gopic Books for 1900.

2nd. Go obtain 1 doz. Constitutions.

3rd. That the Treasurer be author-

ired to give necessary money to the
Secretary, for these purchases.

Meeting was dissolved.

Carrie M. Houghton,
Recording Secretary.

Dana, Oct. 9, 1900.

About the first of April Mr. Houghton Vice President and Miss Houghton Recording Sec. left town. These with the other three members of that family took five out of the society. The President was out of town and did not return till July 2. Thus the society was without officers except a treasurer for three months. The Prayer Meeting Com. keep up the Prayer meetings. They were as well attended as could be expected and an interest was shown. The members of the C.E. in conjunction with the Ladies' Aid held sociables during the winter at which more than \$70 was raised. The associate members of the society furnished the entertainment and the members of the Ladies' Aid the refreshment. This money was

use for repairs in the Church and Church furniture. i.e. the vestry of the Church, and \$25 was given by the Ladies' Aid for the support of preaching.

Nearly or about \$5 was given to the sufferers of the India famine.

During the summer the attendance at meetings has been from 20 to 38, the highest number being one evening in August when there were out of town people - summer boarders - present.

During the month of September Mrs. Gardner Johnson had charge of four of the meetings, Mr. Johnson taking charge of one meeting, the third Sunday of the month when Mrs. Johnson was not able to be present. These meetings were profitable.

and interesting with increasing attendance as the month advanced.

Oct. 6 the Ware Valley Union held its quarterly convention at Greenwich. Out of the 18 members of the Dana Society present in town, 12 attended the Convention.

These were Active members.

Cor. Sec + Pres. F. V. Doane,

Treas. Abbie Lincoln,
Mrs. Frank Stevens
Fred. Gifford.

Associate

Mrs. Laura Stone
Alice Stevens
Lucie Grover
Emma Upton

Mrs. Albert E. Doane
Mr + Mrs. Geo. Duerkee
Emory Smith,

This gave a percentage of $66\frac{2}{3}\%$ of the

memberships. This was far about the proportion of any other ~~society~~ and this society was awarded the banner.

Unfortunately the Barre Society which held the banner did not appear with it. So Rev. Mr. Geo. Hubbard of Enfield presented an imaginary banner to the Dana Society and the President Miss F. V. Doane received it.

This banner will hang in our church as an inspiration and a reminder.

The Convention was very interesting especially as Rev. Mr. Goodspeed pastor of the first Congregational Church of Springfield, Mass., was present for the day. He has but recently returned from a tour abroad during which he visited ~~the~~ Egypt and the Nile Valley, the Holy Land coming back in season to attend the International

Convention at London - 1900. He kindly gave some account of the ^{London} Convention in his morning talk and in the afternoon gave an address on "Dreams and Visions as Inspiration to Work," "The Uplook." In this address he gave several interesting illustrations of the ability and self-denial of the American and other missionaries stationed all along the Nile. One story of special interest was an account of the drowning of a young man from the American school at Athens. This young man's home was in Providence, R.I. He was a member of Mr. Goodspeed's party and went into ^{the river} bathing at the close of the day and was drowned. His body was soon recovered but the travelers found to their dismay that the inn keeper would not allow the

body to be brought into the inn. There was not a coffin to be had, they never had a coffin. The American Consul to whom they applied was an Arab who could not speak a word of English.

What could they do? So they asked each other as the body of the young man lay there upon the river bank surrounded by a crowd of curious natives. Then the American Missionary came forward. The body was carried to his house, tenderly cared for, the parents of the boy were written ~~to~~ a letter giving all the details of his death. a ^{simple} coffin was fashioned of ~~a~~ ~~ra~~ from rough boards, such as could be procured and ^{funeral} services were held in the mission chapel the missionary preaching in Arab and Mr Goodspeed ^{in English}

This is but one illustration of what the missionaries stand ready to do.

The meeting Sunday evening Oct. 8 was especially interesting. There were but 14 present, it being an unpleasant evening, yet every adult person present participated in the meeting. It was led by Mr. Knight, the village school master,

F. V. Doane cor Sec,

Oct. 18, 1900.

Dana Nov. 24. 1900

At a special meeting of the society called at a meeting of the Ladies Aid the President offered the following Resolution which was ordered:

Resolved that the Ladies Aid Society and the Y. P. S. C. E. sincerely appreciate the assistance given by Col. J. S. Johnson in the purchase of furniture for the vestry of the Congregational Church and herewith express grateful thanks; that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Johnson and a copy be entered of on the books of the respective societies.

Sec. Ladies Aid S.

F. O. Doane Cor. Sec. Y. P. S. C. E.

At a meeting held Oct. 24. 1900
the following officers were elected

President Fannie Doane

Vice President Mrs N. L. Johnson

Sec. F. L. Gifford

Treas. Miss Abbe Lincoln

Cor. Sec. Fannie Doane

Asst. Cor. Sec Mrs. Morgan

Lookout Com.

Chairman Mrs. F. D. Stevens

Mrs N. L. Johnson

F. L. Gifford

Prayer Meeting Com

Mrs F. D. Stevens

Alice Stevens

Social & Literary Com

Chairman Lucy Grove

Geo. Durke

Mrs. Geo Durke

Emma Grove

Mabel Doane

Jean McArthur

Flower Com

Emma Upton

Bessie Stow

Eva Stevens

Ruth Grove

Missionary

The Active Members

Abbie Lincoln Chairman

Music Com

Laura Stow

Mrs Morgan

F. L. Clifford

Sabbath School Com.

Alice Stevens

Eva Stevens

Mabel Doane

Jean McArthur

Home Department

Supt. F. V. Doane

Asst. Mrs. A. E. Morgan

Temperance Com

F. R. Gifford

Ermy Smith

Alice Stevens

Emma Grover

Lucie Grover

At a business meeting held
~~Nov. 15~~ at Mrs. Grover Nov. 15
President filled the Chair.

1st Secretary's report of Oct. business meeting

2nd Report of Treasurer

3rd Report of F. V. Dove Com. for
purchase of furniture for Vestry.

Six settees ~~we~~ and 12 chairs were
bought.

4 Miss Jean McArthur admitted
as an ^{associate} active member *

5 Report of Secretary from July to Oct.

6. The treasurer ordered to pay
to treasurer of Sunday School
money collected at Sunday School
concerts.

7 The Vice President was instructed to
order at the proper time Topic Cards
with daily readings and membership
cards as needed and draw

for amount needed to purchase
same. (F. S. Gifford Sec)

Christian Endeavor Meeting Oct 20th 1901
20 present. Topic A bad bargain. Leader
Mrs H. D. Stevens

Oct 27th Topic Bible-reading, 15 present
Leader Mrs N. L. Johnson. Collection 41 cents.

Oct-16-1901.

A motion was made and recorded that what money is in the hands of the treasurer from the three last entertainments of the Social Union shall remain in the treasury of the C. E.

A motion was made and recorded that a committee be appointed by the Pres. to look up the debt on the church and decide whether the C. E. should help to pay it.

A motion was made and recorded that the C. E. pay \$5⁰⁰ toward the preaching.

A motion was made and recorded that the same committee look up the price of silver and purchase same for use of C. E. society.

Mrs. N. L. Johnson - Miss Lucie Brown and Miss MacArthur were appointed by
Pres.

A motion was made and recorded that
a vote of thanks be given Miss Mack
for use of her piano and help in the
Social Union.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Paid for missions \$5.58

Amount at present in treasury
\$22.43

Amount received from three entertain-
ments \$58.17 - Paid out 41.62
Balance \$16.55

Voted to pay to Ladies Aid Society
\$25.00.

March 2nd Voted to send two dollars
to missions.

Junior C. E.

Ruth Brown

Felice Cowley

Hattie Hoane

Edith Sloper

Clayton Vaughn

Cesar Hoane

Anna Sampson

Hazel Cowley

Ella Vaughn

Nellie Sampson

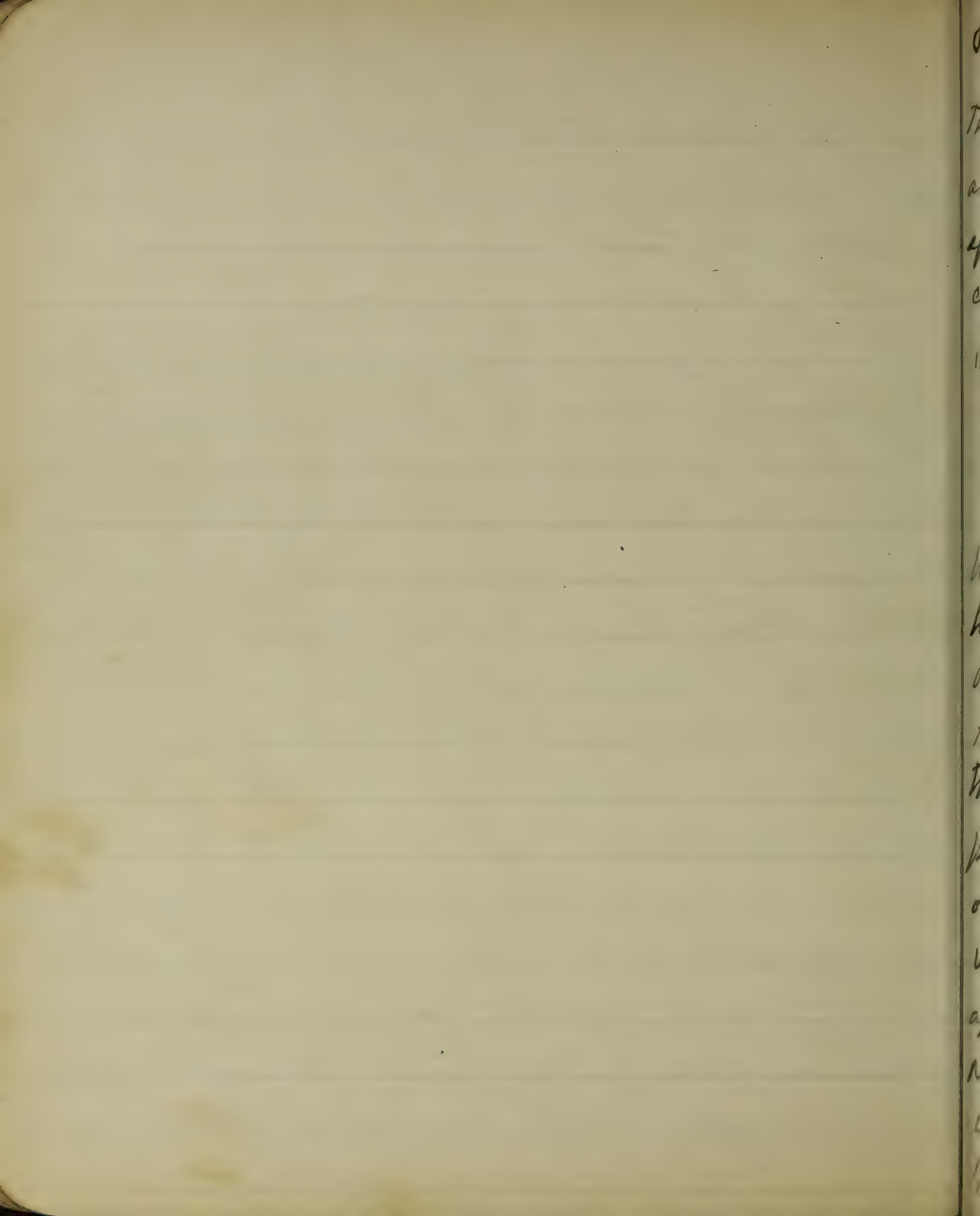
Leon Cowley

Marian Best

May Hoane

Harold Johnson

Redford Johnson



Sunday July 13th - 1902

The following resolutions were read and adopted. They were ordered spread upon the record and a copy sent to Mrs N. L. Johnson.

"Y. P. S. C. E. Hana
Congregational Church

Whereas in His Providence it has pleased Almighty God, our Heavenly Father to remove Hon. Nathaniel Lafayette Johnson, therefore Resolved that it is proper to give expression to our deep sorrow for our irreparable loss. That we appreciate and shall gratefully remember the high Christian character and noble works of Mr. Johnson. For more than

half a century he has been
a member of our church
and has done for it - more
than any other man.

He has given encouragement
to our society and to its
members, personal help and
friendship. Resolved that we
extend to our sister and vice
president Mrs Johnson our
heartfelt sympathy.

The sorrow of her and children
is our sorrow. May the consolation
of Jesus Christ be theirs and
ours. Resolved that a copy
of these resolutions be sent
to Mrs. Johnson and a copy
put on our records."

At the same meeting, Mr. Geo. Hardy
of Kewanee Ill, spoke of his
work in the Baptist S.S. of that
place.

Aug. 11.

Business meeting called by
permission of President. Report
of amount in treasury accepted.
Present Mrs Hoane - Mrs N. L. Johnson
Mrs F. Stevens - Mrs Al Hoane - Mrs
J. F. Johnson, Misses Abbie Smith
Emma Brown Lucia Brown
Lena Stevens Jean MacArthur
Pauline Johnson. It was voted
to buy six Gospel Hymns
(1-2-3-4) for use of society. A
committee was appointed
composed of Mrs N. L. Johnson
Mrs Stevens and Lucia Brown

to buy new knives and forks
for use of Church Societies -
C.S. society voted to give to
Village Improvement Society
ten (\$10.) dollars toward a
piano for use of Home
Societies -

Sept. 16th Meeting called to arrange
for Convention Oct. 4th President in
the chair. Mrs. Brown chosen a sec. pro
tem. Committees chosen as follows:
Care of Church - Misses MacArthur,
Mabel Hoane and Bessie Stone.

Primer Committee Mrs. Stevens, Stone
Johnson.

Music - Mrs Stone and Misses MacArthur
Lucie Brown and Fred Sifford.

Reception Committee Miss Fanny Hoane
and Mr. Page.

Care of Horses - Mr. Geo. Hurke.
Meeting adjourned till Tuesday Sept-
23^d To meet at 4:30 at Hotel.

List of Members Sept. 1902.

Miss Fanny Hoane President
" Abbie Lincoln Treasurer
" Dean MacArthur ^{Acting} Secretary
Mrs. N. L. Johnson
" F. H. Stevens
Pauline A. Johnson
Mr. Fred E. Sifford

Associate Members Sept. 1902.

Mr. Geo Hurke
Mrs. Geo Hurke
~~Mr. Fred E. Sifford~~
Miss Lucie Groves

1 Mr. Emory Smith

Miss Pessie Stone

" Emma Grover

" Eva Stevens

" Mabel Hoane

~~Mr. John Mac Dermott~~

~~Mrs. John Mac Dermott.~~

Mrs. Emma Upton

Miss Ruth Grover

~~Mrs. Laura Stone~~

Mrs. Lottie Doane

Oct. 4th - 1902

Meeting of Ware Valley Union at
Hana Church. Number present ^{about} - 150
Money collection - ()
Speakers Rev. Lordspeed of Springfield
Snider of Gilbertville, Norris of
Barre, Harper of Greenwich Plain
Banana presented to Gilbertville -
that society having fifty percent
of its society present.
Number fed in town hall ^(over) 100
Number of horses cared for
Societies represented - Barre - Ware
Center - Hardwick, Greenwich Plain,
Gilbertville - Enfield -

Dana, Oct 10 1902.

at a special meeting of the active members it was ordered all members should be admitted to offices thus ~~setting~~ reversing art 10 of the Constitution ~~for six~~ this to be an experiment for six months from Nov. 1 1902.
F. V. Doane Sec. pro. tem.

The following is ^{a copy of} the report of the Sec. pro. tem. for business meeting Oct. 15. Miss Eva Stevens Sec. pro. tem.

Dana, Oct. 15 1902

Meeting called by Pres at Mrs. N. L. Johnson's. Pres in the chair.

1. Prayer by Pres. F. V. Doane
2. Eva Stevens appointed Sec. pro. tem.
3. This meeting first considered the Convention held Oct 4.

Mrs Johnson ✓
" Susan ✓
Abbie Lincoln

~~For [unclear]~~
Miss Buck ✓

Ma ✓

Lucia
Ruth ✓

Emma ✓
Kellie ✓

yes

Mrs L. [unclear]

Ella ✓

Hattie ✓

Oliver

~~[unclear]~~

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Mrs. Lottie Doane

Y. P. S. C. E.,

Dana Congregational Church,

officers and committees
for six months from
May to October inclusive.

officers.

Pres. Eva Stevens,

Vice Pres. Alice E. Buck,

Rec. Sec. Alice E. Buck,

Cor. Sec. Frances V. Doane

Treas. Abbie Lincoln,

Committees,

Prayer Meeting,

Mrs. N. L. Johnson

Frances V. Doane

Mrs. Geo. Durbsee,

Look Out,

Mrs. N. L. Johnson,

Mrs. F. D. Stevens

Lucie Grover,

Music.

Mrs. Laura Stone

Bessie Stone

Mrs. Stevens

Fred. Gifford.

Social.

Bessie Stone

Lucie Grover

Geo. Durbee,

Flower,

Ruth Grover,

Lucie Grover,

Mrs. Lattie Doane

Bessie Stone

Mabel Doane

- (a) Report of Entertainment Com.
about 85 strangers at dinner,
" 125 including home people
Estimated not far from 200
people in attendance at Convention.
- (b) Treasurer's report for Convention
as follows: —

(c) Eva Stevens chosen to get
bill for entertainment of horses
at Hotel barn.

(d.) Mrs. Stevens appointed to
settle for coach fare of
Rev. Mr. Goodspeed from No.
Dana.

(e) Twenty-five cents appropriated
to pay for damaged and
missing Music leaflets.

4. Ordered that \$5 be paid
for preaching.

5. Nominating Com for Officers
for six months appointed as
follows
Lucie Grover Bessie Stone. Ges.
Durkee

6 Adjournd till Oct 29.

Dana, Oct. 29 1902.

Adjournd meeting met at
Mrs. A. L. Johnsons. Pres. in the
Chair.

1 Prayer by the President.
2. Report of Sec. pro. tem for
meeting of Oct 15 accepted.

3. Miss Eva Stevens reported Mr. Groves bill for horses to be \$1.00.
- 4 Treasurer ordered to pay the bill.
Mrs Stevens reported
5. Coach charges from Dr. Dana for Dr. Goodspeed were rebated by driver.
6. Ordered to change the Constitution, Art. 1 of By-Laws so that it shall read "The first regular prayer-meeting instead of "the last."
7. Miss Doane appointed a Com. to inquire concerning a blackboard to be used by the Society and by the Sabbath School

nominated

8. The following officers were, and
elected by ballot.

Pres Eva Stevens.

Vice Pres. Mrs Geo. Durkee

Sec F V Doane

Treas. Abbie Lincoln

9. Ordered that Committees
nominated by the nominating
Com be elected by uplified
hands.

Committee Elected as follows.

Prayer Meeting Committee.

Lucie Grover

Mrs N L Johnson

Mrs Nellie Durkee.

Lookout Committee!

Miss J. Mae Arthur.
Mrs. N. L. Johnson
Mrs F. D. Stevens.

Music Committee.

Bessie Stone
Mrs. F. D. Stevens
Mrs Laura Stone.

Social Committee.

Eva Stevens
Bessie Stone
Lucie Grover.

Flower Committee

Mabel Doane
Ruth Grover. Bessie Stone
adorned since then.

Prayer meeting Dana. Nov. 2. 1962

Miss Eva Stevens leader

Topic The Best Gift - Song

25 persons present.

11 members present.

A class of girls repeated 1 Cor. 13.

Retiring Pres Miss Doane extended
right hand to Miss Stevens
installing her as president.

Remarks and scripture texts
by 10 persons besides
president.

J. V. D. See

Oct. 29. Executive Com ordered

Emory Smith's name put
on absent list temporarily

Resident Members Nov. 1, 1902
Active pledge

Mrs. N. L. Johnson

Mrs F. J. Stevens

Abbie Lincoln

J. V. Doane

F. Gifford

Associate Pledge.

Mrs Laura E Stone

Geo. W. Durkee

Eva Stevens

Bessie Stone

Mabel Doane

(Mrs) Nellie Durkee

Sue Grover

Emma Grover

(Mrs) Lottie L. W. Doane

Emma Lupton

J. MacArthur

Ruth Grover

Nov. 1, 1902

Entire list of all who have signed
pledges and been voted members of B. S. S.
A part of these never signed the Constitution
but as that was through the neglect or
ignorance of the officers of the society
no blame is attached to the members.

active

A. J. Ewers,

Absent

J. L. Gordon

Dead

Frances V. Doane

Abbie Lincoln

Anna C. Morgan

Absent

Margaretta H. Johnson

Lucan E. Stevens

Ethel Garfield Thompson

Absent

E. C. Foughton

"

Harriet M. Foughton

"

Harriet C. Foughton

"

Daisy N. Foughton

"

Mary A. Foughton

"

Pauline Johnson Absent part of the Year

F. F. Gifford
Eugenie B. Huston absent
Beatrice Saunders "
Mrs. Big-gee "
Genonia Kimball.

Associate pledge,

Emory Smith. Absent
N. E. Stone "
Alice Stevens "
Mrs.) Laura E. Stone
Geo. W. Durkee
Eva Stevens
Bessie Stone
Mabel Doane
Mrs.) Nellie L. Durkee
Chas. H. Baker absent
Sue Groves

Henry G. Jonker, absent

Emma Grover,

Mrs Lottie L. W. Doane

Emma J. Upton

Eugene G. Gifford, absent

Eduard Cly.

"

Leanne MacArthur

Ruth Grover.

Elias Bristol. absent.

Emma Hicks absent

Irma Hicks

"

actin List Jan 1, 1903. associate.

Mrs N. L. Johnson

Eva Stevens Ruth Grover

Mrs. F. D. Stevens

Nellie Durkee Mabel Doane

Abbie Binchou

Mrs. Durkee Lottie L. Doane

J. V. Doane

Mrs. L. Stone

Fred. Gifford

Bessie Stone

Genesia Kimball. absent

Emma Upton

Emma Grover

Louise Grover

Reports of Prayer Meetings, Nov 2 (see above)

Nov. 9. Temperance meeting held -
Mastery advertised but as leaflets
did not come this meeting was again
postponed. Topic for Nov. 6 used,
"For M.D." Mrs. Geo. Durkee Vice
Pres. lead the meeting very accep-
tably. There were 18 present of these
10 were L. E's. Four Endeavorers, ^{besides the leader} spoke
or read and one not an Endeavorer.
There was much singing, some of it
from the new Endeavor Hymnal.
It was an interesting meeting altho
it would be more interesting if all
Endeavorers would speak. (C. J. D.)

Nov. 16, 10 present.

Nov. 23. Temperance Service, 14 present.

Nov. 30. Thanksgiving service 9 present.

Dec. 7. No service, storm.

Dec. 14.

Dec 21.

Dec. 28.

Jan. 4. Stormy, no services.

" 11. " " "

" 18.

" 25 Stormy, no service.

Jan 24. There was a Convention of the Ware Valley Union at Oakham. None of this society attended out
Rev. H. Page gave response & Welcome and a consecration service and Miss H. V. Doane sent a paper.

Feb. 1. There were twelve present at the meeting this evening. Of these eight were members of the society.

The following members were present.
Active pledge, Mrs. W. F. Johnson.

" F. D. Stevens.

F. Gifford.

F. V. Doane.

Associate Medge, Eva Stevens.

Lucie Grover.

Ruth Grover.

Mrs. Nellie Durkee.

The President, Miss Stevens led the meeting. This was Christian Endeavor Day. Rev. Mr. Page preached a decision Day sermon in the afternoon. A part of the Prepared C. E. exercise for the day was used. Mrs. F. D. Stevens read Mrs. Roosevelt's message to the Christian Endeavorers.

Feb. 8. The storm was so severe
no C. E. service was held

Feb. 15. Miss Lucie Grover led
this meeting. Subject, Temperance.
There were 13 present.

Miss F. V. Doane read her paper
contributed to the C. E. Convention
of the Ware Valley Union held
in Durham Jan. 24. The subject
of the paper was Training for
Service by Study. It was
designed to show the value
of Training Schools for Christian
Service and to mention the
principal of these schools.

It was voted to receive
Miss Kimball as an active
member of our Society.

Petitions to our legislature from
Robert _____ were presented and
acted upon.

The petitions were as follows.

To the Mass. Senate and House of
Representatives in General
Court Assembled,

No. 1.
The undersigned representing the
of P. S. C. E. of the Congregational
Church, Dand, and having
a membership of _____
respectfully remonstrate against
any and all, legislation which
tends to abridge, destroy or, under
the full right of owners within,
25 ft. of other premises to object
to the granting of licenses thereon
for the sale of intoxicating liquors
and we further remonstrate

against any legislation which will
tend to recognize the right of
permanency in the licenses
to occupy any premises whether
continuous objection is made
or not by owners within 25 ft. thereof.

^{no. 2.}
To The Mass. Senate and House of
Representatives in General
Court Assembled,

The undersigned ~~to~~
respectfully remonstrates
against any change in the
law extending the time during
which intoxicating liquor may
be sold.

The petition was sent.

Feb. 22. The C. E. Topic for this evening was intended to be a Home Missionary, but as there were several foreign mission appeals to be presented to the Society especially that of the Endeavourers representative in North China. Miss Abbie Chapin. ~~an~~ ~~her~~ foreign mission exercise was arranged. A brief sketch was read of the work of the American ^{Board of} Foreign Missions. A word about Miss Chapin. A letter from Miss Kneeland of Worcester and three letters from Miss Chapin herself.

A collection was taken. 85¢. It was ordered that two dollars be sent to the Woman's Board to

be appropriated to Miss Shapkin's work.

The meeting was led by Miss F. V. Doane. There were 23 present, of these 11 were members of the Society and two were past members visiting in town.

The interest and pleasure of the meeting was greatly increased by the kindness of Miss Snow who presided as the organ.

Mar. 1. The President, Miss Eva Stevens lead this meeting. There were 20 persons present. The following responded to the roll call.

Mr. N. L. Johnson. Mrs. F. D. Stevens
Miss Lincoln. F. Sifford, Miss Keibel
Miss E. Stevens, Miss L. Gorr. Ruth
Brown, Geo. D. Stone Mrs. Stone

Bessie Stone Mabel Jones

The walking was very bad, and
our secretary was not present on
that account.

Collection 45¢ about

Mar. 8. Stormy - no meeting.

Mar. 15. Miss Emma Grover led
this meeting. There were 11
present. Of these seven were
Endeavorers. It added greatly
to the interest of the meeting
that five spoke from their
own minds in addition to
the selections read. Of these five
four were members of the
Society. Seven took part in the
meeting aside from singing.

Mar 22. Mrs. Gardener Johnson lead
the meeting. Mrs. Bristol Knidly
presided at the organ. about 12

Miss G. Kimball who
is not to return to town is
put on the absent list.

Mar. 29. Topie. A Study of African
missions Miss E. V. Doane, leader,
Mrs. Bristol played. 23 present.
A bill of 40¢ was sent to pay
expenses of Oakham Convention. It
was voted to pay it.

Consecration Service.

April 5. A beautiful evening. There were 17 present. Subject. The Good Samaritan. The President, Miss Stevens led the meeting.

At the roll-call seven members responded. Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Stevens, Miss Eva Stevens Miss Lincoln, Miss F. V. Doane, Miss Ruth Grover, Mr. G. Durkee. Six took part in the meeting.

There were five persons from out of town present. Miss Snow played the organ. Collection, 65^(?)

^{Easter}
Apr. 12. S. S. Concert under the auspices of the S. E. The children from the public schools responded well.

Much credit is due to the public school teachers. There was a large audience and the concert was much enjoyed. The music by Mrs. Farnell. Mrs. Shattuck

April. Miss MacArthur and Miss Buck
was also enjoyed. The following
children took part. Mr. Hicks
led the exercises.

Edith Sloper, Nellie Sampson, Hazel
Cooley, Glenn Grover, Vera Bates
Myron Vaughn, Leslie Cooley, Hattie
Doane, Spencer Fourn, Leon Cooley,
Helise Cooley, Anna Sampson,
Oscar Doane, Lelayton Vaughn,
Ella Vaughn, Eddie Dumas,
Lora Fourn, Larrue Huntton
Margarite Skinner, Julia Spooner
Bernice Skinner read a little
story very acceptably. Miss Doane
gave souvenirs to the children who
spoke and also to all the
children at the concert.
There was a collection of 66 cts -
which Mrs. Johnson, Sec. of the S. took

April 19, Your secretary was not present. Miss Eva Stevens led the meeting there were 13 present.

Apr. 26. There were 14 present.
The subject given in the Topics was Arctic missions. Miss F. V. Doane led and confined the subject to Missions in Alaska. We followed the outline given in the L. E. World by Amos R. Walls. Miss Buck gave an outline of Alaska in general. Mrs. Margaret Johnson of Pres. Missions, Mrs. Stevens Cong. Missions, Miss Lincoln and Miss Eva Stevens, ^{works of} individual Missionaries, and Ruth Grover read Miss Anna Zettick (?) was present and read of Baptist Mission.
The exercise proved a success and was much enjoyed by all.

In motion of Miss F. V. Doane, Miss Alice E Buck was admitted to active membership without further notice.

May 3. Consecration Service. Miss Lucie Grover led the meeting. Subject, "The Prodigal Son". An interesting meeting for those taking part. There were 16 present, of these 5 were active members of the Society, 3 were associate members as follows. Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Stevens, Miss F. V. Doane, Mr. Gifford, Misses Stevens, Lucie Grover, Ruth Grover and Buck. Collection,

May 6. 1903.

A business meeting was held this evening at the house of Mrs. E. D. Stevens. Miss Eva Stevens, the President in the chair. The following business was transacted.

1. Prayer by Miss F. V. Doane,
2. Report of the Secretary.
3. Report of the Treasurer,
4. Report of the Nominating Committee.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Adjournment.

2) After reading her report the Secretary, Miss F. V. Doane, presented the following. That Miss MacArthur who was, ^{Associate} member of the Society

was entered on the books as an active member. The secretary was instructed to correct the minutes, placing Miss MacArthur on the associate list.

The Secy reported Miss Knibball and Miss Buck as having joined as active member, and read Miss Buck's letter from the Y.P.S.C.E. in West Babylon, signed by the
and

Also reported Miss MacArthur as withdrawing from the Society and Miss Knibball on the absent list.

Attention was called to the matter of the Endeavor Hymnal although no record is entered yet all remembered that at the

business meeting Aug. 11, Miss
MacArthur was instructed to
purchase Christian Endeavor
Hymnals, ^{for the use of the society.} Miss MacArthur
bought them as directed but
sold nearly all of them. At
our meeting tonight the
Treasurer was instructed to
use the money that had been
returned for books sold, to buy
others.

(3) The report of the Treasurer was
declared accepted. There is
\$ 23. in the treasury.

4. The nominating committee
was Mrs. F. D. Stevens, Mrs. H.
L. Johnson, Miss Alice E. Buck.
Mrs. Stevens reported that the
Committee recommends that the

officers and committees of the last
six months be retained for six
months longer. The report was
accepted. ~~The~~ amendments were
made to this report and
the list was finally agreed
upon as follows:—

Officers—

Pres. Eva Stevens.

Vice Pres. Alice E. Buck,

Rec. Sec. Alice E. Buck,

Cor. Sec. Frances V. Doane

Treas. Abbie Lincoln.

Committees.

Prayer meeting.

Mrs. N. L. Johnson,

Frances V. Doane,

Mrs. Geo. Durlee.

Lookout.

Mrs. N. L. Johnson,
Mrs. F. D. Stevens,
Lucie Grover,

Music.

Mrs. Laura Stone,
Miss Bessie Stone
Fred Gifford.
Mrs. F. D. Stevens,

Social.

Bessie Stone
Lucie Grover,
Geo. Durlee.

Flower.

Ruth Grover Mrs. Lottie Doane
Lucie Grover
Mabel Doane
Bessie Stone

This list was elected (?)

Several plans were talked over informally to increase the interest of the meetings. It was proposed every two weeks to have singing meetings spending perhaps half an hour in singing. Miss F. V. Doane suggested the purchase of a magic lantern for Biblical instruction and entertainments; no formal action was taken on these matters.

May 10.

There were 16 present this evening. Mrs N. S. Johnson led the meeting. The subject was "Lessons from Zaccheus". Ten took part in the services.

May 17.

Thirteen were present at this meeting. Led by Mrs. Gardner Johnson. Subject - "What a little Lad Can Do".

The question of how to bring the children into the Sunday School and other church services was talked about. It was agreed upon by those present to pray for the children individually at least once every day this week.

It was voted to accept Mr. & Mrs. Towne as active members of the Society.

May 24 •

Mrs. Stevens led this meeting. The topic was "Power and Prayer." Fourteen were present, ten of which were members.

May 31 Instead of the regular topic this evening a Memorial Concert was given by the children. There was a large attendance, forty-three being present.

Among those taking part were Ruby Blackmer, Florence Joslyn, Bernice Skinner, Marguerite Skinner, Hazel and Felise Cooley, Julia Spooner, Cora Towne. Miss Lucie Grover, also read a selection.

June 7. There were twenty-six present.
Topic Modern lessons from the Rechabites
Leader Alice E. Buck.

Nov. 1.

Meeting was lead by Miss Doane

Nine members present

Miss Grover, Mrs. M. Johnson &

Miss Doane were nominated

to choose ^{new} officers.

Nov. 8.

Harvest Concert.

14 members present.

Alice Buck Secy.

November 13, 1903.

A business meeting was held at the home of Mrs M. H. Johnson. Eva Stevens, the President took the chair. The following business was transacted.

1. Report of the nominating com. It was voted to accept this report and the following officers were elected.

Pres. Alice E. Buck

Vice " Mrs F. D. Stevens

Rec. Secy Eva R. Stevens

Cor. " Miss F. V. Daane

Treas. Miss Abbie Lincoln

Prayer Meeting Com.

Mrs N. L. Johnson

Miss F. V. Daane Mrs G. W. Ducker

Lookout Com.

Mrs N. L. Johnson

F. D. Stevens, Lucie Grover

Music Com.

Miss Alice Buck

Mrs Laura Stone, Mr Fred Jiffard

Social Com.

Lucie Grover

Geo Ducker

Ruth Grover

Eva Stevens

Alice Buck

Mrs L. Stone

Flower Com.

Ruth Grover

Mabel Doane

Lucie Grover

Mrs A. E. Doane

2. It was voted for Lucie Grover to have charge over & making any necessary repairs on the lamps in the Church.

3. It was voted for Miss Doane and Miss Buck to see about getting a black board for

the Society.

Nov. 15. Instead of the regular topic it was thought best to have the topic for Nov. 8. Lessons from Elijah. Led by Mrs M. H. Johnson.

20 were present 12 being members of the Society.

Nov. 22 Meeting was led by Miss F. V. Drane. Topic Thanksgiving.

17 were present. 10 being members of Society.

Nov. 29. Meeting was led by Era Sterens. Topic: Missions in India. An interesting letter from Miss Chapin was read by Miss Lucie Grover.

14 were present 8 being members of Society.

Dec 6 - Meeting was led by Era Sterens. Topic: Heresies of Faith.

8 were present 4 being members

Dec 13 Meeting was led by Miss Alice Buck. Topic. Trust.

11 were present 9 being members
Dec 20. Stormy No meeting

" 27 " " "
1904
Jan 3 " " "

10 Meeting was led by Mrs F. D. Sterens. Topic True Repentance. 8 present 6 members. A paper, in regard to making a change in the Constitution, sent by the Pres of Y.P.S.C. & Union. Mr Roberts

was read by Miss Buck. It was
thought necessary to hold a special
business meeting before decision. A
meeting was appointed ~~at~~ Mrs Johnson's
on Thurs. ev. Jan 14. 1904

A business meeting was held Jan
4. but as, ^{only} a few members were present
no permanent decision was made.
It was voted to have Miss Buck see
about getting a panel with the
Endeavor Pledge on it, to hang in
the Church.

Jan 17. Meeting was led by Mrs Johnson.
5 were present 4 members.

Jan 24. Meeting was led by Miss Miss
Doane. 8 were present 7 members.

Jan 31 Meeting led by Eva Stevens.
14 present 9 members

Feb 7 - Meeting led by Miss Buck. 14 present
3 members.

Feb 7 Meeting was led by Miss L. L. L. L.
The special singing was very much
enjoyed. 13 present 11 members.

Feb 14 Meeting was led by Eva Stevens
13 members were present.

Feb 28 Stormy no meeting

Mar 6 " " "

" 13 " " "

Mar 20 Meeting led by Eva Stevens
7 members were present

" 27 Meeting was led by Miss Stevens
8 members were present

Apr 3 In place of our usual
meeting there was a Easter concert
given by the children with Miss
Buck as leader. A large number
were present which ^{spoke highly of} ~~presented~~ the concert

Apr 10 Meeting was led by Mrs Johnson
7 members were present

" 17 Meeting was led by Mrs F. Stevens
0 members were present

" 24 Meeting was led by Eva Stevens
13 were present 9 members.

May 1 Meeting led by Miss Buck.
Consecration meeting. A large
number were present compared
with last meeting. An interesting
letter was read, from Miss Drane

22 were present 12 members

May 8 - Meeting was led by Mrs
N. L. Johnson. Topic - Temperance.

19 present 12 members.

May 15 Meeting was led by Mrs
F. D. Stevens. Topic Prothely love.

15 present 8 members

May 29 Meeting was led by Ruth
Kearse Topic Missions.

20 were present 11 members

June 5 Meeting was led by
Miss Burdett of Nicherrang.

19 were present 10 members

June 12 Meeting was led by
Miss F. Coane.

30 were present 18 members.

June 19 Meeting was led by

Eva Stevens. 17 were present 8 members

26 Meeting was led by Mr

H. N. Johnson. 18 present 9 members

June 23 Meeting was led by Mrs

F. Stevens. 15 present 9 members

July 10 Meeting was led by

Miss Abigail Lincoln. An unusual

fine meeting. Many visitors were

present which took part.

A letter was read from

the President of Oakham Socy,
asking that the Dana Socy
write a five minute paper
on "Vital Contact with the Sick."

It was voted upon and the
members thought best to decline
as none would be able to attend.
27 were present 10 members.

July 27th

A motion was made and second
that this society send a petition to Senate
House of Representatives of the United States
that they might influence the President
of the United States, that he, in some way
with other nations, might in some way
show how to abolish war. Signed by Mrs
S. E. Stevens, acting President, & F. V. Doune, co-Sec
17-present - 9 members.

Secretary F. V. Doune.

July 24 1904.

Very rainy, no meeting. Emma Grover.
August 3. Meeting took the form of a
Sunday school concert, was held in the
Town Hall. So piano music could be had
several fine selections from Miss Florence John
Ruth Grover, Hazel, Felice & Saele Volney spoke,
Prof Johnson presided with Miss F. V. Dwan
A large number of visitors was present.

Aug 7 Meeting was led by Rev. Mr
~~Johnson~~

A very interesting meeting
was led by Mr Brown. A large
number took part in the
meeting which was greatly
enjoyed.

Aug 14 Meeting was led by
Mrs M. de Johnson a good number
were present

Aug 21. Meeting was led by Rev. Mr
Brown. A large number were
present and a very interesting
meeting was enjoyed by all.

The motion was made &
acted upon that the Society pay
toward the ministers salary.

The motion was also made &
acted upon that the Treasurer
and this coming week for 100
C. E. Hymnals.

Aug 28. Meeting was led by
Miss Doane. Missionary Topic.

A good number was present.

Sept 4. Meeting was led by Rev.
Mr. Brown.

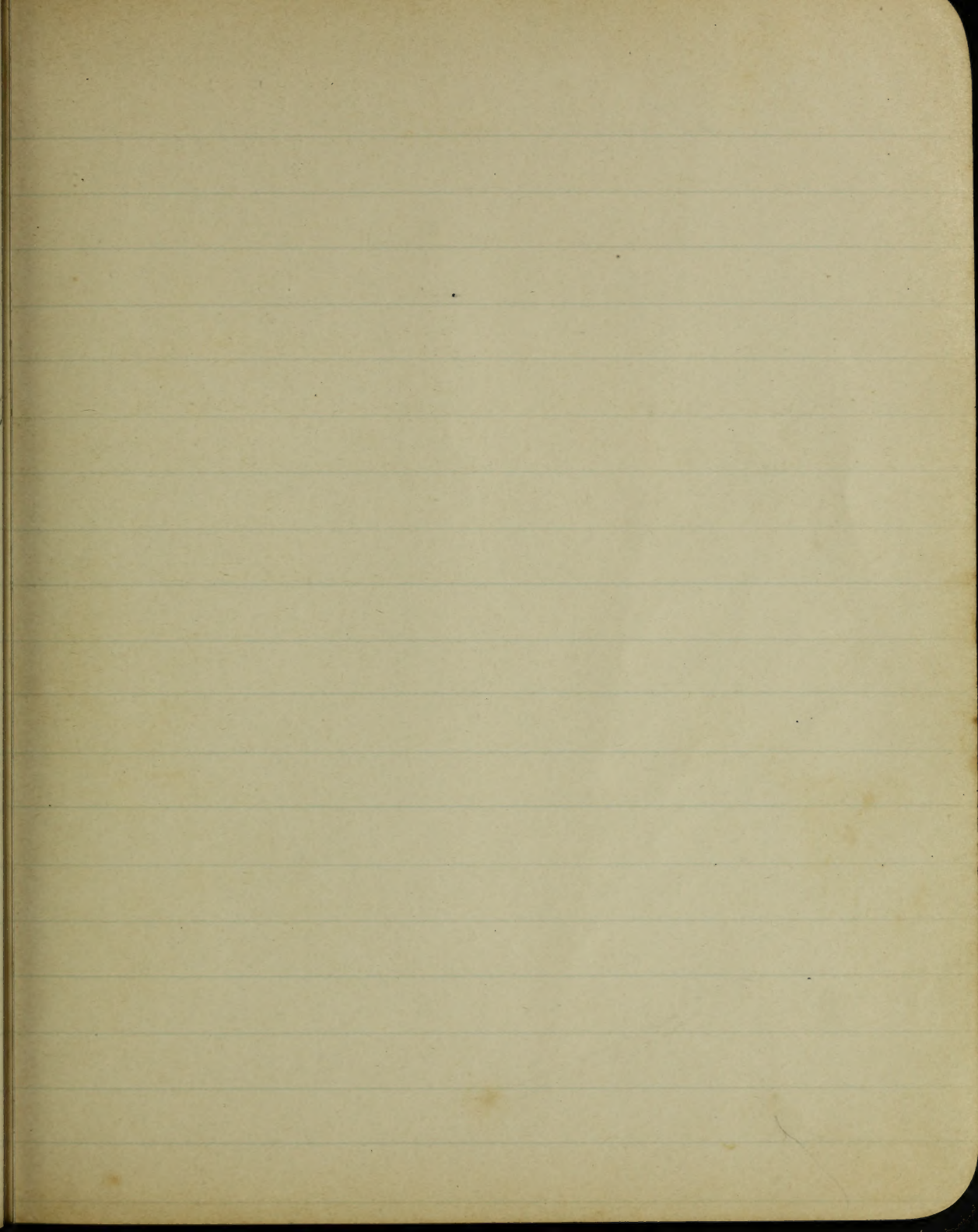
A good meeting was enjoyed
by all. Consecration service
Many numbers responded.

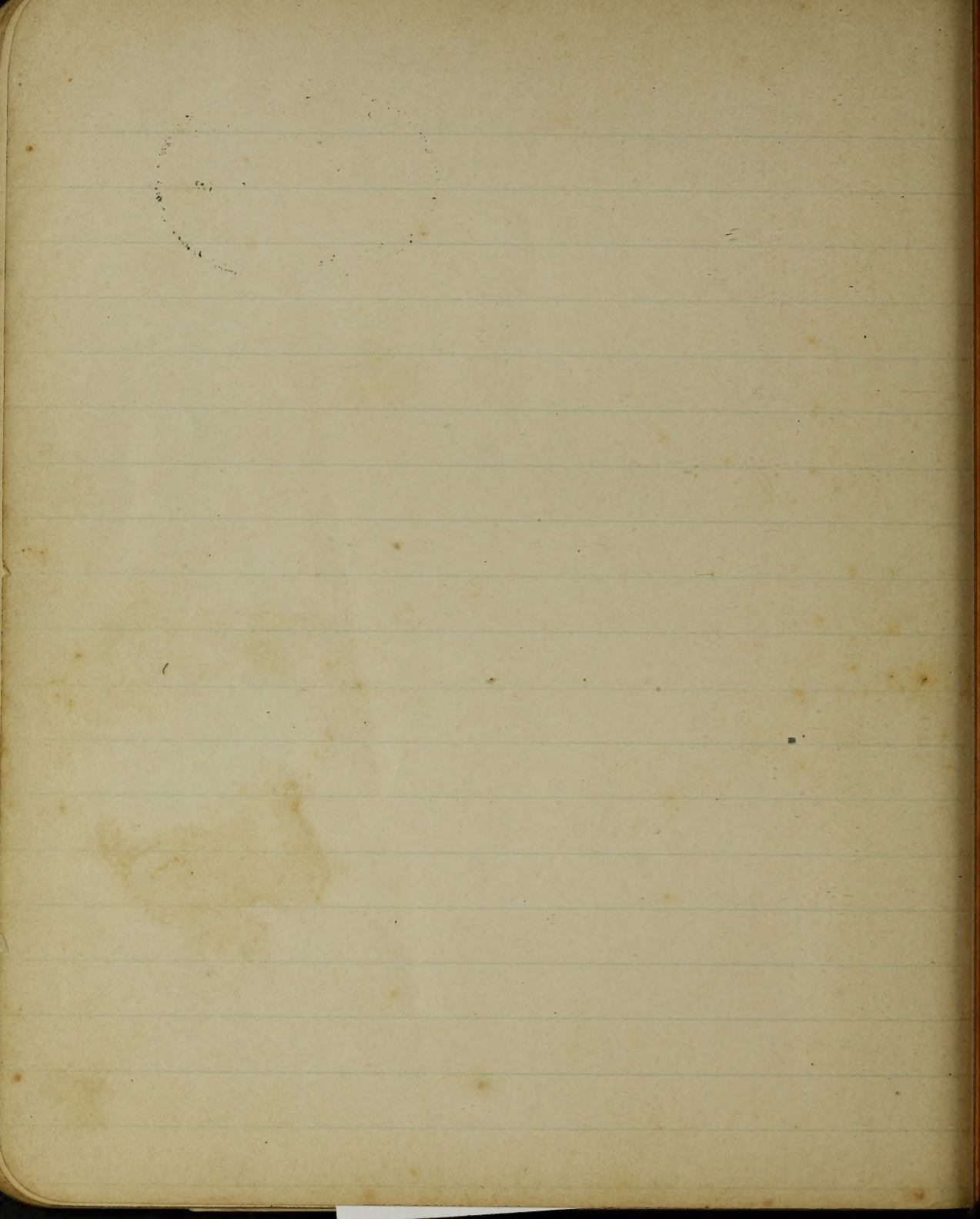
Sept 11- Meeting was led by Mr
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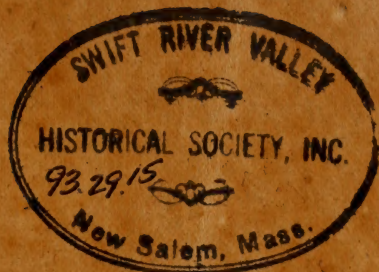
16 were present 9 members
Era Stevens Secy

It was voted to hold a
business meeting Friday (Sep 16)
night at the home of Mrs
F. D. Stevens.

Era Stevens Secy.







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